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SUBJECT: EVALUATION OF PERSONNEL LEVELS

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1. DURING THE THREE WEEKS SINCE MY ARRIVAL IN LUXEMBOURG, I HAVE HAD AN OPPORTUNITY TO REVIEW THE PERSONNEL LEVELS AT THIS POST. THEY ARE UNCHANGED FROM THE LEVELS REPORTED IN THE EMBASSY'S PARM OF MARCH, 1977 (LUXEMBOURG 0210). I SHARE THE VIEW SET FORTH IN THAT TELEGRAM THAT THIS POST HAS THE MINIMUM NUMBERS OF OFFICERS TO ADEQUATELY MEET THE EMBASSY'S GOALS AND SERVE UNITED STATES' INTERESTS IN LUXEMBOURG.

2. THERE ARE ELEVEN STATE PERSONNEL AT THIS POST: THE AMBASSADOR, THE DEPUTY CHIEF OF MISSION, ONE ECONOMIC OFFICER, ONE ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER, ONE CONSULAR OFFICER, ONE POLITICAL OFFICER, TWO COMMUNICATORS AND THREE SECRETARIES. THIS AMERICAN STAFF IS SUPPORTED BY TEN LOCAL STATE EMPLOYEES. IN ADDITION, THE EMBASSY IS SUPPORTED BY A DEFENSE ATTACHE, AN AGRICULTURAL ATTACHE,
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A REGIONAL SECURITY OFFICER, THE OFFICE OF DEFENSE COOPERATION, AND A SPECIAL AGENT OF THE DRUG ENFORCEMENT AGENCY, ALL LOCATED IN BRUSSELS. THERE IS NO USIS OFFICER AT POST, BUT WE DO RECEIVE SOME SUPPORT FROM THE PAO'S IN PARIS AND THE U. S. MISSION TO THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES.

3. AS THE TITLES OF THE AMERICAN POSITIONS INDICATE, THE

EMBASSY HAS ONE OFFICER FOR EACH OF THE CLASSIC FOREIGN SERVICE FUNCTIONS, I. E. POLITICAL, COMMERCIAL/ECONOMIC, ADMINISTRATION AND CONSULAR. THEY FILL IN FOR ONE ANOTHER DURING ABSENCES. THE DCM, AND AT TIMES THE AMBASSADOR, ARE REQUIRED TO BECOME DIRECTLY INVOLVED IN THE OPERATIONS OF ONE OR THE OTHER OF THE SECTIONS AS THE NEED ARISES. IT WOULD BE, IN MY VIEW, IMPOSSIBLE TO ELIMINATE ANY ONE OF THESE OFFICERS WITHOUT SERIOUSLY LIMITING THE EMBASSY'S ABILITY TO PERFORM THE NORMAL FOREIGN SERVICE FUNCTIONS.

REFERRING AGAIN TO THE EMBASSY'S PARM (LUXEMBOURG 0208 -PART I), IT ALSO SEEMS VERY CLEAR TO ME THAT EACH OF THESE FUNCTIONS IS DIRECTLY RELATED TO IMPORTANT INTERESTS OF THE UNITED STATES IN LUXEMBOURG.

4. THE NUMBER OF AMERICAN SECRETARIES AND COMMUNICATORS IS ALSO THE MINIMUM REQUIRED TO FUNCTION EFFECTIVELY. THE THREE SECRETARIES PROVIDE SECRETARIAL, FILING AND RECEPTIONIST SERVICES FOR ALL FIVE OF THE AMERICAN OFFICERS, INCLUDING THE AMBASSADOR AND THE DCM, AND FILL IN FOR ONE ANOTHER WHEN ABSENCES OCCUR BECAUSE OF ILLNESS OR LEAVE. THE TWO COMMUNICATORS ROTATE AFTER-WORKING-HOURS DUTY ON A WEEKLY BASIS AND FILL IN FOR EACH OTHER DURING ABSENCES.

5. THE MILITARY AND OTHER ATTACHES ACCREDITED TO LUXEMBOURG LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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BUT RESIDENT IN BRUSSELS ATTEND A MONTHLY STAFF MEETING IN LUXEMBOURG AND VISIT THE COUNTRY AS NECESSARY. THE TIME THEY DEVOTE TO LUXEMBOURG IS ADEQUATE TO MEET THEIR RESPONSIBILITIES. HOWEVER, I DO NOT BELIEVE THAT ANY OTHER FUNCTIONS PRESENTLY PERFORMED AT THIS POST COULD BE PERFORMED ADEQUATELY BY REGIONAL OFFICERS LOCATED IN BRUSSELS OR ELSEWHERE.

6. IN SUM, THE PRESENT PERSONNEL LEVELS ARE WELL TAILORED, IN MY VIEW, TO THE ESSENTIAL FUNCTIONS THAT NEED TO BE PERFORMED AT THIS POST, AND I DO NOT BELIEVE THAT AMERICAN INTERESTS WOULD BE SERVED BY REDUCING THE AMERICAN STAFF LEVEL. LOWENSTEIN

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